

### SCREW REINFORCEMENT

In higher traffic areas such as child care centers or if the doors/frames are painted with a water based paint, the strips need to be additionally secured with screws (see below)

## **BASIC**

## **Finger Guard Strips**

Residential and Light Commercial

### WARNING

"BASIC" finger guards are primarily for "indoor" use

Do NOT use on the outside of exterior doors. Exposure to the elements and sub-zero temperatures can cause rapid deterioration and cracks in the plastic. PinchShield will not be responsible for the performance of strips used outdoors

Do not cut to fit around push bars or automatic door closers or the warranty is voided and could cause other problems

Do not apply finger guards over top of weather stripping.



Review all instructions before installing the finger guard strips + Keep instructions for future reference

Contents: 1 Wide Strip for "push" side + 1 Narrow Strip for "pull" side

## A. WIDE STRIP "PUSH SIDE" INSTALLATION

For the side where you cannot see hinges when the door is closed

### STEP 1.

- Open the door and thoroughly clean and dry the door and frame. Use an alcohol wipe.
- Recommend that you lightly sand the door & frame area for better adhesion
- Ensure there is no, grease, fingerprints or other residue.
- If you do not clean the door area well, the adhesive may not stick properly.

### STEP 2.

- Close the door.
- Use a pencil to mark two vertical lines up to a height of 48" (or 81") from the floor.
- Draw one line on the <u>DOOR</u> exactly 1 3/8" (3.5cm) from the <u>frame</u>.
  Draw one line on the door <u>FRAME</u> exactly 2.0" (5cm) from the <u>door</u>.
- On both vertical lines, make a mark 3/16" up from the floor.

To avoid all accidents, it is very important that the guard strip is installed "exactly" on the indicated lines. If this process is not followed properly, a gap may result, making the protective strips less effective - which could lead to an accident.



### STEP 3.

- Open the door to 45°
- Take the <u>WIDE</u> strip guard and remove protective backing from one adhesive strip.
- Place the edge of the adhesive strip on the door **FRAME**, just inside the vertical line.
- The bottom of the adhesive strip is placed on the mark 3/16" from the floor. - Remove paper from the other adhesive strip and attach on the vertical line on **DOOR**.

Door

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**3**b

Frame



- To ensure correct adhesion, rub fingers firmly up and down the back of each adhesive strip for 2 minutes
- Then close the door and do not open for at least 15 MINUTES. This will allow the adhesive to set properly.

## ADDITIONAL REINFORCEMENT

As necessary, reinforce the adhesive with screws or nails (not provided). Fasten the screws or nails through the narrow groove in the outer edges of the protective strip guards. Place screws/nails about 7.5" apart.

## **B. NARROW STRIP "PULL SIDE" INSTALLATION**

For the side where you see the hinges when the door is closed

- Do not start until the Push Side strip has been installed + 15 minute wait time.
- Clean the door and door frame same as Step 1 above.
- Close the door.
- Use a pencil to draw vertical lines exactly 13/16" (2cm) out from the edge of the hinge.
- Do this for both the DOOR and FRAME sides.
- Also make a mark 3/16" from the bottom of the floor.
- Complete by following Steps 3 and 4 above.

# AFTER INSTALLATION

- 1. Check the strips at a minimum every 3 months to ensure continuing strong adhesion.
- 2. Removing the adhesive strips may cause damage to surface finishes and paintwork. 3. To reduce damage, slowly and carefully pull the strips "lengthwise" directly away from the door.

# DISCLAIMER

PinchShield shall not be responsible for any consequential, direct or indirect loss or damage suffered by any person or property which are the result of a failure to install and/or use the protective strips as set forth in the above instructions, or based upon misuse, neglect or modification of the protective strips



The PinchShield protective door strips are not a substitute for proper adult supervision of children.

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